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Annotations

1. Opening of the meeting

The Director of the secretariat of the United Nations Forum on Forests will open the meeting.

2. Election of the Chairperson

The Expert Group may wish to elect a Chairperson from among its experts.

3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The Expert Group may wish to consider and adopt its provisional agenda and organization of work. The Expert Group may also wish to elect a Rapporteur and establish a drafting group or groups to assist the Chairperson in preparing its draft report.

4. Tasks of the Expert Group

In carrying out its tasks, the Expert Group will follow the provisions of paragraph 7 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2007/40, in which the Council requested the Expert Group to develop proposals for the development of a voluntary global financial mechanism/portfolio approach/forest financing framework, and invited the Collaborative Partnership on Forests to assist in the development of those proposals.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on mobilizing financial resources to support the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and to promote sustainable forest management (E/CN.18/2008/2).

5. Other matters

The Expert Group may wish to discuss any other related matters.

6. Adoption of the report of the Expert Group

The Expert Group may wish to adopt its report for submission to the United Nations Forum on Forests at its eighth session. The report should specify the key outcomes of the work of the Expert Group, including proposals and recommendations for further consideration by the Forum.